

STDs VOLUNTARILY REPORTABLE

The DPH requests voluntary reporting of the following diseases to improve surveillance of STDs. They should be reported on the EPID-200 form.

I. CLINICAL DESCRIPTION AND LABORATORY CRITERIA FOR DIAGNOSIS:

- A. Genital Herpes:** A condition characterized by visible, painful genital or anal lesions.

Probable Case: a clinically compatible case (in which primary and secondary syphilis have been excluded by appropriate serologic tests and darkfield microscopy, when available) with either a diagnosis of genital herpes based on clinical presentation (without laboratory confirmation) or a history of one or more previous episodes of similar genital lesions.

Laboratory criteria for diagnosis:

- Isolation of herpes simplex virus from cervix, urethra, or anogenital lesion, **OR**
- Demonstration of virus by antigen detection technique in clinical specimens from cervix, urethra, or anogenital lesion **OR**
- Demonstration of multinucleated giant cells on a Tzanck smear of scrapings from an anogenital lesion.

- B. Genital Warts:** An infection characterized by the presence of visible, exophylic (raised) growths on the internal or external genitalia, perineum, or perianal region.

Probable Case: a clinically compatible case without histopathologic diagnosis and without microscopic or serologic evidence that the growth is the result of secondary syphilis

Laboratory criteria for diagnosis:

- Histopathologic changes characteristic of human papillomavirus infection in specimens obtained by biopsy or exfoliative cytology **OR**
- Demonstration of virus by antigen or nucleic acid detection in a lesion biopsy.

II. ACTIONS REQUIRED / PREVENTION MEASURES

- A. KENTUCKY DISEASE SURVEILLANCE REQUESTS VOLUNTARY REPORTING OF THESE DISEASES TO THE LOCAL OR STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.**
- B. EPIDEMIOLOGY REPORTS REQUESTED:**
1. Kentucky Reportable Disease Report Form – EPID 200 (Rev. Jan/03).
- Note: Section labeled “Additional Information for Sexually Transmitted Diseases Only” should also be completed.

C. PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS:

- Patients should be counseled on methods to reduce their risk for STDS, including HIV.
- Testing for syphilis, gonorrhea, *Chlamydia* and HIV should be offered and encouraged.

III. CONTACTS FOR CONSULTATION

- A. KENTUCKY SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CONTROL PROGRAM: 502-564-4804.
- B. KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH, COMMUNICABLE DISEASE BRANCH: 502-564-3261.
- C. KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH, DIVISION OF LABORATORY SERVICES: 502-564-4446.

IV. RELATED REFERENCES

1. Chin, James, ed. (See index for specific diseases). In: Control of Communicable Diseases Manual. 17th ed. Washington, DC: American Public Health Association, 2000.